

FIU Sri Lanka Engages at the Octopus Conference, T-CY Plenary, and GLACY-e Hub Meeting in Strasbourg



The Director of the Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) of Sri Lanka participated in three major international events on cybercrime and digital asset investigations held in Strasbourg, France from 2 to 6 June 2025: the 32nd Plenary of the Cybercrime Convention Committee (T-CY), the Octopus Conference, and the GLACY-e Regional Workshop for Asia.

The Director / FIU contributed to the session on ***Crypto-investigations: Application of the Budapest Convention and the Second Additional Protocol*** as a panelist, where she shared insights on the practical challenges and strategic approaches in digital asset investigations from an FIU perspective.

Additionally, Director co-moderated the **GLACY-e Regional Workshop for Asia on Enhancing the Role of Women in the Fight Against Cybercrime**, held as part of the GLACY-e initiative. Commencing this workshop, Director presented the experience of Sri Lanka in integrating gender sensitivity in investigating cybercrime and financial crimes. Sri Lanka co-hosted this session as the designated GLACY-e hub country for Asia, alongside the Philippines. The workshop addressed gender-sensitive approaches in cybercrime and financial investigations, underlining the importance of diverse perspectives in developing effective and inclusive cybercrime responses.

The Director also represented Sri Lanka at the **32nd T-CY Plenary**, where discussions focused on strengthening international cooperation under the Budapest Convention, with a special emphasis on the Second Protocol on electronic evidence and the growing role of virtual assets in cybercrime.

The FIU's continued engagement in these high-level international forums reinforces Sri Lanka's commitment to advancing cybercrime prevention and capacity building in line with global standards.